

Dear Ms Funaro

This letter is in support of delaying the privatization of the Medicaid program in Iowa. Although this plan may be workable, at this point it is hard to tell. There are many unanswered questions regarding reimbursement to users, which hospitals, if any, have signed on and further questions about the waiver system.

As a Board member of a local CIL Center, I know that some of our consumers have not yet been contacted about this change. There is no information for them about their choices or help deciding which choice would benefit them the most.

Until we have answers to our questions, I would ask that the implementation of this program be delayed. It may end up being completely acceptable but what is the harm in delaying until we all understand the implications of this program?

Sincerely,  
~jackie christerson